a miniature athlete darted from the side-walk and took shelter behind a dilapi-

A few minutes later the gentleman had the small boy by the arm, and was engaged in conversation with him. The boy's name was Henry. He belonged to the Bayard Street School. He was in Somebody's class of the fifth grade and on his way to the Times Building,

"But, my little man, you should be in school. You are missing your lessons.
You are losing the chance of becoming an intelligent man. Your classmates will leave you behind. Your mother must be about through with her duties now. Couldn't you see her at noontime?"
While this conversation was going on a young soldier appeared. When he saw the gentleman holding the boy his ire was roused.

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"Let this boy alone! Let him go!" he said. "Tm in the United States service, and I'll have you arrested."
"For what, sir!" asked the gentleman.
"For intimidating people."
Then the young soldier left the scene. "For intimidating people."
Then the young soldier left the scene, and rushed up Park Row. By this time a crowd had collected. Idlers, shop-keepers and housewives listened with open mouths to the questions and answers of the man and boy. When the United States soldier and a Sixth Ward policeman arrived the interview was ended; the boy said he would go to school at once.

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"What's this crowd here for?" demanded the giant bluecoat of the white-haired truant-hunter.

"Ask it," was the quiet reply. Then the officer stretched his arms, wearily, and the officious little soldier in the blue lacket pulled his brass-mounted cap down over his eyes and went away with the others.

This sort of thing is of every-day occurrence, not only in the routine work of Mr. John S. Ketcham, but of his twelve associates who compose the Truancy obard of the New York Public S. hools.

The Truancy Department was organ.

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The Truancy Department was organized in 1870 to enforce the law of compulsory education. During the first five years of its existence the number of children arrested for vagrancy averaged 1,221. Last year only 496 were committed or held for examination. The influence of this Truancy Department in restraining juvenile crime cannot be overestimated.

The following summary of the work done by the thirteen truant agents during the past year is taken from the last report of the Board of Education:

Total number of visits made. 46.65

shops and factories.

Children kept at home by poverty. 60
Children kept at home by sickness. 2,915
Children kept at home bor domestic service. 4,774
Children whose residence could not be found 1,744
Children found to be truents and placed in school ted or friendless children, found to be Children taken from workshops.
Children physically or mentally disqualified.

The children who do not respond to this system of confidence are the pitiful cases from whom wrongdoers are maturel, variously known as pasement the dren, children of the street and children, children of the street and children, children of the street and children, children of the street and children of nobody. A large percentage of truant-playing is done by half orphans, as the following cases illustrate:

Johnny Scheich has no mother; his fether is employed in a public building as an elevator man. One of Johnny's household duties is to cook breakfast and take it to his father, who leaves home at 5 o'clock in the morning.

children. Misguided is the word. Weak teachers, unjust principals, unwise parents and guardians, they say, cause all the mischief. Children do wrong, Agent Ketcham maintains, because they are not properly directed.

In the varied experiences of twenty-six years as teacher, guardian and reformatory superintendent he never met a child who could not be reasoned into correct conduct and loved into gentle ways.

The Work Done by the Truancy
Department Agents.

It was about 9.20 o'clock in the morning when an elderly gentleman sauntered up Park Row. When he reached Pearl street he stopped. As he did so a small boy with a skull cap and the physique of mindature athlete darted from the side. harow the feelings." Litle creatures go barefoot Winter and Summer for years, and not dozens but scores of children, too young to go to school, are to-day wearing but one garment. The luxury of underwear is, in hundreds of instances, unknown until the child attends a kindergarten school. NELL NELSON.

You read the Evening World! Do you read the Sanday World!

# RECKLESS BOYS IN COURT, Charities received \$70; "The World's"

Raced with a Dogeart, and Narrowly Escaped Accident.

Louis Morris Watt, sixteen years old, a well-dressed lad, who said he was a son of Thomas Watt, of 605 Fifth avenue, was arraigned in Harlem Police Court this morning on a charge of reckless driving.

drove the horse and cart with the three boys to the station-house, where they spent the night, i Policeman Callahan said the boys in their reckless driving nearly knocked down a woman at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street on their way intown, but he could not stop them. He said they also barely escaped colliding with a cable-car.

ble-car. Simms discharged the boys after severely reprimanding them

### ANOTHER COLLEGE STORY. Columbia Will Be Written About

in the "Sunday World." Columbia is another college, like the University of Pennsylvania, without dormitories. This fact takes away some Here are some of the causes for non-strendance at school: features of college life enjoyed at Harvard and Yale, but there are advantages in it, too. When they move to Bloom-ingdale, however, the dormitory system will be introduced.



PRESIDENT OF COLUMBIA. The success which President Seth Low has attained in the management of this institution will be told about in the "Sunday World" to-morrow. The story is another in the series of college sketches which have proved so popular. The many professional schools connect-

ward schools. The agent knows the truant at a glance. No time is wasted in suspicions. The youngster its accussed, and must give an account of himself. This method saves a deal of time and discourages falsehoods.

Convinced in a few words that his course is a bad one, that it doesn't pay, that it is n is business to go to school, and that if he doesn't attend to his business to be agent will attend to him, the culprit coon concludes it is best to return to his class-room.

When told that on his word of honor he will be trusted to return to school some the truant rarely fails to keep hi word.

The children who do not respond to fore Judge Cowing. Henry McCaholl, the paving inspector, street, nearly three years ago, will be Right to Apply Electricity to Loco-

and take it to his father, who leaves home at 5 o'clock in the morning.

The boy does not always wake up in time to perform his tasks and get to school, where, perhaps, more is thought of punctual attendance than the child's welfare, and rather than go late he spends the morning in the street.

Mills Alson is the name of a little girl who is left to mind the house and four children while the mother is away washing to support them all. Two brothers are getting too old for her to manage. When things go wrong, as they do most of the time, the boys play trunt.

Lucy Black is an orphan; she makes her home with an aunt. She has a married sister and a aboy nice. The sister is too poor to keep her, but very glad to have her services as nurse. Lucy's love for the infant has given.

Did Not Try to Kill Herself.

Many Subscriptions Coming In for A Night Watchman's Vigilance That Is the Latest Report from Little Girls Taught to Make Soup Leads to Their Arrest.

Wordsworth Circle's Entertainment Three Colored Men Tried to Break Hired Man Shot Dead and Woman Bread Made and Baked in One and a Long Island Fair. Into a Saloon.

The Wordsworth Literary and Social Private Watchman John Engerston. Circle gave a professional entertainwho is hired to guard a block on nent and ball at the Lexington Operaevening, March II, by which three popu-World's Bread Fund, the United an early hour this morning while pa- ed Case arrived yesterday from the a comfort to know this, for life in the Charities and "The rolling his beat. ing World's" Sick Bables' Fund. a splendid entertainment. The entire receipts were given to charity. Mr. Michael Heimann gave the use of the Opera-House free. The receipts amountvigilance, if possible, than usual in guarding the vicinity.

Bables' Fund, \$23. The committee that had charge of this most successful entertainment was com-posed of J. Henry Hirschl, Chairman; Charles Rosenbaum, Treasurer; Isidor Eckstein, Secretary; Rudolph Cony, Harry Cohen, Morris Levy, Irving S. Eckstein, Edwin Kempner, Max Buch-ner and Louis Recht. Court this morning on a charge of recky less driving.

Two other lads, John Coman, sixteen Two other lads, John Coman, sixteen years old, of 41 West Seventy-sixth street, and Michael O'Neill, seventeen years old, of 17 West One Hundred and Thirty-third street, were arraigned with Watt on the same charge.

Yesterday afternoon Watt went out of riving with a solrited horse hitched to a near-looking dogcart. He picked up the other boys on the road, and along the avenue they met two friends, also driving. A race was proposed, and the two dogcarts were soon spinning along at a dangerous rate of speed.

They drove to One Hundred and Forty.

If the street, and then started back, At one Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, according to Watt, his friends in the second cart whipped his horse and he lost control of the animal. Policeman of twenty-fifth street station, halled the lost control of the animal. Policeman of twenty-fifth street station, halled the sick babies of New York, and raised 120, was then 10,20 o'clock. The policeman drove the horse and cart with the three soys to the station-house, where they spent the night.

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cheer them. The subject of debate was, "Resolved, that it is for the best interests of the United States to annex the Hawaiian Islands." The judges were Ellius Root, of the New York City Bar; Charles Emory Smith, of Philadelphia, ex-Minister to Russia, and Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, D.D. of Elmira. Pennsylvania argued on the affirmative side and Cornell on the negative.

The speakers for Cornell were Herbert L. Fordham, Ithaca, N. Y.; Jonathan W. Sherwood, Ithaca, N. Y., and William P. Chapman, Norwich, N. Y. For the University of Pennsylvania, Raymond L. Alden, Germantown, Pa.; James H. Wagonhurst, Clifton, Pa., and Theodore Huyshem, Morristown, Pa. Each debater was allowed two speeches, the first of ten minutes' duration, the second of five.

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The marks as kept by the judges were for the University of Pennsylvania and 6 for Cornell, and the University of Pennsylvania was declared the winner.

### RAILROAD MEN TO MEET.

Trainmen's Organization Will Assemble at Bridgeport To-Morrow. The engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen of the Railway Trainmen's Organization, employed on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Rail-The meeting is under the auspices of Henry A. Hishop Lodge, of the Order, and is for the purpose of discussing the best way to advance the interests of the members.
The meeting has the full approbation

of the railroad company, which will fur-nish transportation to its employees who belong to the Order.

## BIG ELECTRICAL SUIT.

motion is involved. (By Associated Press.)

ST. LOUIS, April 21.-A legal contest opened in the United States Circuit Court here yesterday which involves the right to the title to the invention of the application of electricity to locomotion. The case is styled the Adams Electric Railway Company against the Lindell The case is styled the Adams Electric Rallway Company against the Lindell Rallway Company, Millions of deligra-are at issue, and behind the Lindell Rallway Company, which is the nominal defendant, is the Sprague Electric Com-

Did Not Try to Kill Heraelf.

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Oklahoma.

and Child Wounded.

PERRY, O. T., April 21.-The latest school, corner of Bayard and Mulberry piling the facts contained in the volilleecker street, observed a gang of col-ored men trying to break into the saloon gang and the posse of Deputy United Miss Ella Baylos is the teacher. conducted by John Finkin, at the corner of Bleecker and Downing streets, at as at first reported. A messenger nam-venan, and she likes the children, It is compilation is said to be \$50,000. when the burglars saw the watchman vicinity of the Twin Mountains, and Bend is a fearful struggle, and the little reports a fight, but the fatalliles were folks are not spoiled with great kind-

and a little girl were wounded. He hid in a convenient hallway, where Daltons and the Daltons spent Sunday at the tender age of fourteen, the size of

Bruce Miller had been harboring the platons and the Daltons spent Sunday through a crack in the doorway. He fore long he saw the same gang cau is through a crack in the doorway. He fore long he saw the same gang cau is through a crack in the doorway. He fore long he saw the same gang cau is through a crack in the doorway. He fore long he saw the same gang cau is through a crack in the doorway. He fore long he saw the same gang cau is through a crack in the doorway. He fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the fore long he saw the same gang cau is through a crack in the doorway. He fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the fore long he saw the same gang cau is suited by the policeman schafer.

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Don't sit and wait for "something to turn up." but try the effect of twenty words in a World Situation Adv. The scale of your fortunes will promptly turn from the mark of Idleness to that of Industry and Prosperity.

The war in passenger rates between the Union up." The war in passenger rates between the Union up." Date of Lassers Passenger Association has resulted in a reduction of tarss from here to San translated to that of industry and Prosperity.

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principle as well as a principle of uo-mestic economy.

Only one lesson is given a week. Con-sidering the admirable system, the prac-tical recipes and the aptitude and needs of the children the instruction is insuffi-The daintles below to the cooks, who The dainties below to the tools, they are at liberty to dispose of them as they wish. Sometimes they are given to the regular teachers, and occasionally they are sent in to the carpenters with the compliments of the generous little cooks.

NELL NELSON.

Rate War Makes Low Pares.

complete history of each yacht club is given, together with portraits of its members. The work, which is profusely illustrated with photo-lithographs, is to be in two volumes, each lix14x4. editor, Henry A Mott, Ph. D., LL. D., has been two years engaged in comumes, and the result is a work of reference containing information almost in-

Book Notes. The International Yacht Publishing Company has just issued volume one of "Yachts and Yachtmen of America." it is designed as a work of reference

and contains a complete history of yachting, as well as of various boats,

compilation is said to be \$50,000. "The Soul of the Bishop," a new novel by John Strange Winter, published by J. Selwin Tait & Sons. The story deals with a girl agnostic, whose ideas deter her from marrying the Bishop, with whom she is in love. The work is hardly up to Mr. Winter's standard and the ending is unsatisfactory. Capt. Willard Glazier has written the

Capt. Williard Glazier has written the history of his second expedition to the headwaters of the Mississippi River, and it forms an interesting story, embracing biographical sketches of early and recent explorers bent on the same mission. The primal reservoir of the Father of Waters, according to this author, is a lake situated some distance above Lake Itasca. The story of his adventures, which his daughter shared, is well told, and the illustrations by Fred J. Trost, from photographs, lend an additional charm for the reader. Rand, McNally & Co are the publishers.

"Althouge: I reverse her figure, his sale figure, her figu



(By Associated Press.)

SEDALIA. Mo. April 21.—J. A. Pollard, a farme: living asven miles south of here, brought to this city yesterday a gallon can filled with live locusts. He says farmers in the southern part of this country are plowing up millions of Pharaoh's pests, and fears are entertained that their appearance so carly in the Spring will result in a devastation of the crops.

## Piratiny Back Again.

Capt. Joshus Slocum, commander of the torpodo boat Piratiny, arrived here fro a Brazil yesterday. The Piratiny, which was towed to Brazil by the steamer Sentuit and came back on the bark Alma resterday with her commander, looked but little the worse for the trip.

# MELLIFLUOUS MME. MELBA

And She Can Talk, Sing the Jewel Song and Toast Bread.

sail and steam, and biographical sketches of founders and owners. A Some Good, Sound Advice About the

Complexion and Education,

Melba is not only a great singer but good talker. She has a lot of common sense.

Thursday afternoon she sang for a boys' charity. After the concert she talked about the complexion, the economy of youth, the value of intelligence and the promotion of beauty. The concert tickets were \$5 each. Sherry's ballroom was crowded to the walls with philanthropic women, society women and gentlewomen, who never took their eyes or glasses from her. After the song they talked about the singer. Very little was said about her glorious voice. It was her skin, her eyes, her figure, her

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how to make it.

"Undone toast is little better than undone bread. The bread must be perfectly dry. If it is too fresh, dry talices in the oven, trim off the crusthen toast it and you have the mowholesome form in which flour can is prepared."

wholesome form in which nour can prepared."

Melba's breakfast consists of fruitoust and coffe from one end of the year to the other.

"I think that the girls lose most of their beauty at table. Men lose their fortunes at the gaming table and women lose them at the dining table. It takes very little material to nourish the body. The surplus not only goes to waste, but the organs, constantly overtaxed, get out

of order and it is difficult to repair them."

Any market man could please the great artiste.

"My menu is very brief. Oysters, raw; clear soup, beef or mutten, cauliflower celery, spinach, artichokes, asparagui onions, lettuce, escarole, fresh fruits, re-wine and water and dry toast. I hav the same things every day and all the

"Tire of them? Certainly not. They

(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTA, Gs., April 21.—Henry Woolley,

Murray County farmer, was shot dead while ploughing in his field Thursday by White-Capa Woolloy was formerly a member of the bank, which i-iudes several monablinors, and his cost-federates suspected him of treachery. He has breatened to furnish flow Northen with the name of 100 members of the gang. Ghouls at Work on Rose Island

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(By Associated Press.)
NEWPORT, R. L. April 21.—Two bodies v